

SENATE RESOLUTION 120

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION approving the revisions to components of the basic education program.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-351, provides that any amendment or revision to the components of the formula of the basic education program (BEP) shall be submitted by the state board of education to the respective Committees on Education of the House of Representatives and the Senate; and

WHEREAS, the state board of education has submitted revisions to components in the basic education program to each education committee; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Education has reviewed these changes and made its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-351, further provides that recommended changes and revisions in the basic education program are subject to approval by resolution of the whole proposal, without amendment; and

WHEREAS, the BEP Review Committee and the Governor's Task Force on Teacher Pay have identified the need for the funding formula to be based on a system-level fiscal capacity model; and

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations has developed a prototype system-level fiscal capacity model; and

WHEREAS, the BEP Review Committee should develop a consensus recommendation on a system-level fiscal capacity model which provides a phase-in process and hold harmless provisions and include such recommendation in its November 2006 report; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that the revisions to components of the basic

education program as proposed by the state board of education and reviewed and recommended by the Committee on Education are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BEP Review Committee shall develop a consensus recommendation on a system-level fiscal capacity model which provides a phase-in process and hold harmless provisions and include such recommendation in its November 2006 report.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Executive Director of the state board of education.